PTO/SB/08A (10-01)
Approved for use through 10/31/2002.OMB 0651-0031
U. S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.



Substitu	Substitute for form 1449A/PTO			Complete if Known		
000000	30 101 101111 1440111 14	•		Application Number	10/603,693	
INF	ORMATIO	N DI	SCLOSURE	Filing Date	June 26, 2003	
ST	ATEMENT	BY A	PPLICANT	First Named Inventor	Hiroki Sato	
(use as many sheets as necessary)				Art Unit	2614	
				Examiner Name	N/A	
eet	1	of	1	Attorney Docket Number	SON-2780	

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials*	Cite	Document Number	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	
	No.1	Number-Kind Code ² (if known)		of Cited Document		
GM	AA	6,307,393 B1	10/23/01	Shimura		
	AB					
	AC					
	AD					

		FOREI	GN PATENT	DOCUMENTS		
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.	Foreign Patent Document	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant	
		Country Code ³ -Number ⁴ -Kind Code ⁵ (il known)			Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	ן די
GM	ВА	06315112	8/11/94	Sony Corp.		\Box
					 	╁

^{*}EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant

¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ¹ See attached Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.usplo.gov or MPEP 901.04. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ¹ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the application number of the patent document. ⁴ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. ⁴ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

		OTHER PRIOR ART – NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS	
	Cite No.	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	T²
GM	CA	EPO Search Report 10/10/03	X

^{*}EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

		·	
Examiner Signature	/Gregory Madden/	Date Considered	10/04/2006

Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ²Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.